

CLEAN UP YOUR PREMISES MONDAY

MAYOR JOHNSON NAMES MONDAY, APRIL 21, AS DAY FOR CLEANING UP—NOW DO YOUR PART IN THE WORK

The mayor, in accordance with the wishes of himself and the city council, and following a custom of several years past, has designated a "clean-up" day for Ashland. Next Monday, April 21, is the day selected and the city council at its meeting Tuesday evening decided to furnish teams for the hauling away of all garbage on that day.

Citizens should burn any stuff that can be burned and should put other garbage in boxes, sacks or barrels so as to minimize the expense to the

city of the removal of the garbage to the grounds.

A clean-up day is a good thing and every resident of Ashland should do his part—we know she will do hers—to make Ashland not only the pleasantest but the cleanest and most beautiful city in America. But we should not stop with one clean-up day a year; there should be 365. In this case as in many others, an ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure. We should keep our places cleaned up all the time.

FIRST GAME OF SEASON

Ashland High School and Grants Pass High School Meet on Local Diamond Saturday.

The first high school baseball game of the season will take place on the high school grounds in this city Saturday afternoon when the local team will cross bats with the Grants Pass high school nine.

The local team is under the management of Prof. West, the instructor in agriculture, and will be captained by Elmer Ashcraft. The local boys have been practicing steadily and are in fine shape to meet their opponents. All indications point to one of the best games ever seen so early in the season in the history of the school.

STORE IS REOPENED.

Mix Drug Store Reopened by the Creditors.

The F. B. Mix drug store which has been closed for some weeks was reopened the first of the week by George W. Trefren, attorney for the creditors, who has placed J. M. Rodt in charge. Mr. Rodt was employed by Mr. Mix some years ago as a pharmacist and is no stranger to the patrons of the store. Since leaving Ashland he has been working in Portland and Medford.

JAPANESE WILL MAKE TEST IN COURT

MATTER OF CALIFORNIA LEGISLATION RESTRICTING LAND OWNERSHIP WILL BE GIVEN A LEGAL TRYOUT.

Tokio, April 14.—The Japanese cabinet reported to the emperor today that President Woodrow Wilson's decision not to interfere with the California land ownership legislation makes it necessary for Japan to present a test case before the supreme court of the United States, proving that the Japanese are not of Mongolian origin and therefore are entitled to citizenship in the United States.

Welcome a Test.

Washington, April 14.—The general opinion in official circles is that the administration would welcome a test in the supreme court on the question of the eligibility of Japanese to naturalization. So far, all decisions of record, mostly in western courts, have held that the Japanese were not eligible to naturalization, not being such white persons nor persons of African descent as are mentioned in the naturalization laws as being alone eligible to admission to citizenship.

The issue has never been tested before the supreme court of the United States in a direct form.

The Japanese contend they are Malayan and Aryan in lineage and consequently may fairly claim to be classified ethnologically as the white persons described in the naturalization act.

The importance of a determination of the question and its relationship to the alien land legislation now pending in California lies in the fact that as that act now stands before the legislature, any alien entitled to apply for naturalization may own and lease land in the state, so that a decision favorable to the Japanese contention would completely defeat the purpose of the legislation, so far as it might be aimed at the Japanese.

Japanese Appreciate Aid.

Tokio, April 14.—The members of the Tokio chamber of commerce are expressing high appreciation of a message from the San Francisco

ORDER MORE TRAMCARS

Fruit Growers' Supply Company, of Hilt, Place Order With Ashland Iron Works.

The Ashland Iron Works are busy turning out an order of 25 tramcars for the Fruit Growers' Supply Company, of Hilt, Cal. This company has already had two orders, one of 25 cars and one of 50 cars, constructed by the Ashland firm, and the third order is a strong boost for both quality and price of work. They are also talking of an additional order of 25 more cars later in the season.

The iron works has just completed the contract for the iron work for the Ashland Armory.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed for in the Ashland postoffice for the week ending April 12, 1913:

Ladies—Mrs. J. P. Bonnell, Miss Marie Goldman.

Gentlemen—Harry Garnett, D. E. Goran, B. E. Sumner, L. R. Priestner. These letters will be sent to the dead letter office April 26, 1913, if not called for before. In calling for the above please say "advertised," giving date of list. A charge of one cent will be made on delivery.

J. R. CASEY, P. M.

—Baseball Saturday.

CIGARETTES FROM GRAVES.

Salem Youth Have Novel Source of Supply.

Salem, Ore., April 16.—Graves of departed Chinese are the latest source of supply for cigarettes for certain youthful smokers in this city, and consequently relatives and friends of the departed ones are considerably agitated in Chinatown.

It is a custom of the Chinese to place cigarettes on the graves of their dead to soothe them on their journey to the unknown land. Boys have learned of this and have been keeping watch on the Chinese cemetery at the edge of the city. Chinese reported to the police today that one of the boys found eight cigarettes on a grave and appropriated them for his own use.

THE GHOST IS LAID.

That Wagon Episode Now a Thing of Past.

The ghost has been finally laid and the electric light wagon controversy is at last closed. The electric light committee reported that Mr. Clark agreed to accept the wagon in full for the work done on it and it was decided to give it to him. Thus the most famous vehicle in the history of Ashland passes into history.

WILL BUILD BILLBOARD.

One to Adorn Sight of Burned Building on Main Street.

Blain Klum of Medford appeared before the city council Tuesday night and asked permission to erect a billboard on the ground, or rather on the floor of the building on Main street owned by George Stephenson and damaged by fire and recently torn down. Mr. Klum offered to put the billboard back four feet from the street, burn all paper coming off the board and to put a railing along the property line. The permission was granted, the council believing that the board would improve rather than disfigure the street at it would hide a very unpleasant backyard outlook.

GRESHAM STREET DISCUSSED.

Property Owners Heard as to Improvements.

Several property owners on Gresham street and vicinity were heard by the city council Tuesday evening concerning the proposed curbing and guttering of that street, also regarding putting in sidewalks. Mr. Bressler and Dr. F. G. Swedenburg appeared before the council and expressed their wishes and those of others in the matter.

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE BY RAZOR ROUTE

J. O. O'BRIEN, TRANSIENT, FOUND WITH THROAT CUT IN BED IN ROOMING HOUSE ON FOURTH STREET WEDNESDAY MORNING

Bob Wilcox, a roomer at the Globe rooming house on Fourth street, was attracted to room 9 Wednesday morning at 6:15 by moans coming therefrom. Upon entering to investigate he found the occupant sweltering in his own blood, having attempted to commit suicide with a razor. He had slashed his throat, arms and legs in an attempt to end his career, but had reached no vital spot. Chief of Police Oien was notified and had him removed to the Granite City hospital, where he was placed under an anesthetic and his wounds dressed.

When questioned the man said that his name was J. O. O'Brien. He came in from the north on the mid-

night train and went at once to the rooming house and took a room. Nothing more was heard from him until morning, when his moanings attracted attention. He stated to the chief of police that he had been on a drunk for three weeks but that he could not remember the attempt to end his life.

It is not thought that his wounds will prove serious, though he was considerably weakened by loss of blood.

He is reported at the rooming house to have been well dressed and gave very little indication in his personal appearance of a condition of debauchery which should instigate an attempt at self-destruction.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

Local W. C. T. U. Will Celebrate Tuesday Next.

The W. C. T. U. will hold its twenty-ninth anniversary meeting at the Presbyterian church on Tuesday, April 22. A program will fill the hours from 10 to 12 in the morning and 2 to 4 in the afternoon. Visitors are invited and can bring their lunches with them and thus dine with us and enjoy the social part during the intermission.

The whole program will be devoted to the problems of the growing generation. The discussion in the morning will be on the following topic: "Is the average mother careless of her child's environment?" As Dr. Blumenthal of Australia is now lecturing in our country and exploiting the idea that bad mothers make good sons, it belongs to us to decide whether he has any foundation for the theory he brings forth. During the afternoon various prominent men of our city, who are in position to know, will give their ideas on training children and the dangers that menace their welfare morally, spiritually and physically. Good music by good singers will intersperse both programs.

Ashland citizens in many ways are above the average. With splendid work from their instructors for and with them, they measure up well in books and athletics. They are always a matter of comment from strangers because of their mannerly behavior abroad. But still there are problems which will face us all the more when the great tide of foreign immigration shall reach us, and it is up to the parent to study the welfare of his growing child. Men and women are both invited to be present at our conference and are assured a hearty welcome.

MRS. M. M. EDMUNDS, Sec.

Prior to the present war Adrianople had a population of 70,000, half of whom were Turks, the rest Bulgarians, Armenians and Jews.

Do not forget the baseball game between the high school and Grants Pass Saturday afternoon at the high school grounds.

A PROCLAMATION.

Following the annual custom heretofore observed, I wish to announce or designate Monday, April 21, as "Cleanup" day in our city. In order to stimulate all citizens to personal interest and effort, the council passed a resolution that the city furnish teams and drivers at the city's expense for this occasion, therefore I would urge everyone to make a thorough cleanup about his or her premises, putting all garbage into boxes, bags or cans, placing same in a convenient place along the street or alley line where it will be easily accessible. Let us all take a special interest in this important matter and rid our homes and premises of all rubbish, which is not only unsightly but a menace to health and life, and keep pace with our reputation as the "clean city" of Southern Oregon.

Respectfully,

O. H. JOHNSON,
Mayor.

Seymour and Spanos at Ease.

Medford, April 16.—That Mike Spanos and Frank Seymour, convicted of the murder of George Dedas-kalos, a Greek, in this city September 22, have lost their worried appearance and now believe that they will escape the gallows is the word brought from Salem by Sheriff Singler, who returned today after taking Cecil Townsend to the penitentiary. Singler visited both of the condemned men.

"The boys seem to believe now that they will escape the gallows," states Singler, "and in consequence are far more at ease than when I last saw them. They are model prisoners, according to the guards, and make no trouble. Seymour is continuing to show a deep religious strain. They have apparently forgotten Medford and asked nothing concerning anyone in this section."

Two of the great railways entering London are about to carry out an important electrification scheme involving more than 150 miles of track.

The Cincinnati Enquirer defines a hotel as a place where you swap dollars for quarters.

IS SUMMARILY ORDERED REMOVED

CITY RECORDER INSTRUCTED TO WIRE OWNER OLD OPERA HOUSE ORDERING BUILDING TORN DOWN AT ONCE

At the meeting of the city council Tuesday evening summary action was taken regarding the old opera house building now owned by Ed A. Estes. The front of the building has sagged out till it leans into the street at least a foot. The sidewalk was roped off some days ago to prevent danger to pedestrians. A report from C. E. Welschberger, who had been employed by the city to pass on the condition of the building, was

read and discussed. On motion the city recorder was instructed to send a night message to Mr. Estes ordering the building torn down and giving him three days in which to commence the work. The said letter was to be written under the supervision of the city recorder.

A telegram was received this morning from Mr. Estes ordering that the upper story be taken down and a crew will set to work at once to remove the dangerous walls.

WANT OAK ST. GRADED

Old Question Comes Up in Slightly Different Form Before the City Council.

The old, old question of paving Oak street was up before the city council again Tuesday evening. The question has been up in varying phases several times the past year or so, and is yet unsolved. The last proposition from the residents of that street is that if the city council the citizens owning land along the street would donate half the work necessary. On motion the matter was referred to the street committee with power to act.

Congregational Church.

At the recent communion service of the church there were thirteen persons received into the membership. A fine class of nine adults and four from the Sunday school.

The services for next Sunday will be as follows: Preaching at 11 o'clock, at which time the choir will render special music. Subject for the sermon, "Why Go to Church?" Subject for the evening sermon, "Morality vs. Religion." Special music by the male quartet, "Art Thou Weary?" arranged by Parks, and "Onward, Christian Soldier," arranged by Parks.

A very cordial invitation is extended to all. Good fellowship. Good music. Good services.

Evangelistic Meetings.

Evangelist A. L. Crim of Washington is one of the leading preachers in the Christian church on the Pacific coast. He will be in Ashland for at least a few days, having stopped on his way home from southern California. He will preach at the Christian church this evening, Friday evening, Sunday morning, afternoon and evening. Prof. Howell Isaac will have charge of the music. The people of Ashland are invited to these services.

Russian peasants produce great quantities of hand-made goods. There are villages in which every home is a workshop for the production of furniture.

CEMENT PLANT ASSURED FOR VALLEY

BEAVER PORTLAND CEMENT COMPANY IS INCORPORATED TO OPERATE PLANT AT GOLD HILL—FINANCES ARE ASSURED

Salem, Ore., April 16.—The Beaver Portland Cement Company has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The capital stock is \$600,000 and Portland is the principal place of business. The articles state the company will engage in anything from digging of certain kinds of clay to operating logging roads and the establishment of retail yards. Attorneys for the company appear as the first trustees.

Medford, April 16.—The erection and operation of a \$50,000 cement plant at Gold Hill is assured. The Beaver Portland Cement Company has been organized to develop and operate a quarry near Gold Hill where cement can be easily manufactured. A few local men are interested in the company, but most of the

capital to be used is foreign.

For some time the proposition of establishing a large cement plant near Gold Hill has been discussed. A number of cement men have reported on the project, stating that the deposits there were unexcelled in the west. Recently a number of cement manufacturing concerns became interested, which has resulted in the organization of the Beaver Portland Cement Company.

According to reports reaching this city from Portland, where the company has its principal office, work is to start at once on the erection of the plant. It is said that 500 men will be employed when the works are established.

W. I. Vawter has been active in the formation of the company and has looked after its interests locally.

Sumptuous Moving Pictures.

New York Times: London now possesses in the West End perhaps the most magnificent cinematograph theater in the world. It has cost \$650,000. The West End stands half way between Leicester Square and Piccadilly Circus, in the heart of London's pleasure land, and the aim of the management is to attract the wealthy and cultured—in fact, to win over a class of people to whom the moving picture is comparatively little known.

Attached to the West End, which seats 900 persons, is a first-class restaurant, while a feature will be made of afternoon tea in the foyer overlooking Coventry street. The interior of the theater is delightful and the pictures are set with all the elegant surroundings of a stage play. Besides showing the best and newest films, the West End is to be the exclusive home of chronochrome, the latest discovery in nature solar pictures.

The Greater Honolulu Chamber of Commerce is being formed to merge the several trade and commercial bodies in the capital of Hawaii.

THAT DUMPING GROUND

Residents Near It Object to Further Use by City—May Build Crematory.

The dumping ground question bids fair to be one of the big ones which the present city council will have to solve. Residents in the vicinity of the present grounds have been putting up a vigorous protest against the conditions of the ground for some time. These conditions, according to all accounts, have been greatly bettered, but the residents are not yet satisfied and their representatives were before the council at its regular meeting Tuesday evening urging the council to discontinue the use of the grounds. They offer to purchase the tract for \$300 as it stands or for \$400 if the garbage is removed.

The matter of a garbage crematory was discussed and plans were presented by the city engineer. After considerable discussion the matter was postponed to permit the obtaining of information from other cities regarding garbage disposal.

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